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AMENDMENT B

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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated July 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified applications as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims at pages 2 through 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 12 of this paper.